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MISTAKES AT MARRIAGE OFFICE TIMID LOVERS SOMETIMES MAKE.

Under ordinary circumstances the Marriage License Office is a serious proposition to the young couple who are about to plunge into the sea of matrimony. It is a sort of sacred place, off place, where the heavenly harmony and not to be confounded with things common and earthly. But when a prospective bride and groom lose their bearings at the City Hall and get into the wrong office, the process of securing the much-coveted document reverts into a comedy, and even the sturdiest couple themselves have to laugh.

Such was the case yesterday morning when August Heller of No. 215 North Nineteenth street and Miss Sophronia Tunnell of the same address visited the City Hall, bent upon securing legal permission to wed. After they had entered the main corridor, instead of turning to the right, in which direction the Marriage License Office is located, they turned to the left, where the License Commissioner's office is. Seeing the name "License Commissioner" in huge, glaring letters on the transom over the door, the couple at once concluded that was their destination, and journeyed thither.

Alas, however, their fond hopes were rudely shattered when, upon reaching the office they espied a smaller sign glued upon the door, which read: "Get Your Dog License Here." For a moment they both viewed the sign in wonderment, and then they looked at each other.

"This can't be the place," said the groom-to-be.

"Well, I just hope not," replied his companion, as she gazed at the dog license sign in disgust.

"We'd better go in and inquire, don't you think?" asked the young man.

"Indeed, no," was the reply. "I wouldn't take a dog license if they'd give it to me for nothing."

At this juncture a City Hall attaché appeared on the scene, and upon being approached by the visitors showed them the way to the Marriage License Office.

They both sighed with relief when they discovered their mistake, and resumed their journey laughing.

NERVOUS ORDEAL FOR SOME.

The untitled marriage license department is worse than the audience to a new performer with the stage fright. When Miss Josie A. Gatewood and Harry F. Miller, both of No. 462 Finney avenue, were called upon to appear before the Marriage License Office, they were met by a nervous ordeal.

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PAINTING IN MAYOR'S OFFICE.

First of Four Panels Placed in Position Yesterday.

The first of the four new decorative panels painted for the Mayor's office was placed in position yesterday morning. It is historical, having a young girl, as the central figure, embodying a design showing the city's progress. In the foreground is a miniature representation of the new City Hall, and in the background to the left is a signman illustrating the original St. Louis.

To the right is a scene representing the World's Fair city, in which the Eads bridge is conspicuous. Near the upper right and left hand corners of the picture there are two shields, one bearing the seal of St. Louis, and the other the coat of arms of Missouri. The painting has been placed in the west end of the Mayor's office.

Fred Stoddard, who is doing the painting, will add some designs to the edges before it is complete. The other three will soon be ready.

CLERKS REFUSE TO AFFILIATE.

Postal Employees Will Not Join Federation of Labor.

Kansas City, Sept. 4.—The National Association of Post Office Clerks to-day, by practically a unanimous vote, rejected the proposition to affiliate with the American Federation of Labor. Resolutions were adopted declaring that such an alliance would prove detrimental.

The following officers were elected for the year:

President, F. T. Rogers, Chicago; first vice president, H. J. McGee, Buffalo; second vice president, Charles Lynn, Kansas



GET YOUR DOG LICENSE HERE

Not the kind of license they wanted. had sworn to their ages and were requested by the marriage license clerk to affix their signatures to the license, the young lady declared that she was so nervous that she could not write.

"Turning to her escort she said: 'You sign my name. It will be all right.'"

"No, it will not be right," interrupted the clerk, just as the young man was about to accept the pen from the lady.

"Why isn't it right?" inquired the young lady, in a vexed tone. "I'm so nervous I can't write at all, and besides, he is going to be my husband, anyway, so I don't see what difference it makes whether he or I sign my name."

The clerk explained to the bride-to-be that she would have to sign her own name, and after some little delay she consented to go through the ordeal, providing no one would make fun of her writing, because, she explained, "I am so dreadfully nervous that I don't believe I can even hold the pen, much less write with it."

Then she removed her glove and held up her hand to show how it was shaking, and after gritting her teeth started to write her name.

When the license was ready for presentation the young man inquired its cost, and when told that it was a dollar he remarked that it was the cheapest kind of way of getting into trouble.

"A great deal cheaper than getting out of the trouble," chirped in the young lady. "It costs \$50 to get a divorce."

MAIDEN FINDS LAW STUBBORN.

Knowing that she would have difficulty in getting a marriage license because she was under age, Marie F. Sandach of No. 745 North Ninth street got her mother to accompany her when she called at the City Hall yesterday to get a license to wed William G. Baahr of the same address, but her precaution was wasted, as the clerk refused to accept the mother's consent and told the girl she would have to bring her father around before the license could be issued.

"But my father works all day and it is impossible for him to come," said Miss Sandach.

"I can't help that," replied the clerk. "It's the law and your father's consent is absolutely necessary before the license can be issued."

"Can't I bring you his signature?" asked the girl, hopefully.

"You must have him write his consent in the presence of a notary public and swear to it," explained the clerk.

Miss Sandach thought for a while and the other excuses were not taken by her. The clerk's advice, and, promising to return before closing time, she left the office, looking anything but pleased.

W. C. T. U. Convention Closes.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Nevada, Mo., Sept. 4.—The Fifteenth District Convention of the W. C. T. U. closed to-night, after a two days' session. The following officers were elected: Mrs. Harriette Butler of Schell City, president; Miss Anna Frey, Butler, treasurer; Mrs. Carrie Hudson of Adrian secretary. Miss Bertha Bowers, State lecturer, addressed the convention.

Negroes Bound Over.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Vicksburg, Miss., Sept. 4.—Robert Jackson, VIII Waters Archie Jones and Robert Banks, the negroes who held Robert Hughes while Charles Jones whipped him on his naked back at Redwood, Saturday night, day under 300 bond each, in default of which they will remain in jail. Jones has not given his bond of \$5,000, and is still in jail.

URGES POLES TO BE LOYAL TO PRUSSIA.

Emperor William Assures Them That Their Beliefs and Traditions Will Be Respected.

RELIGION FOR THE INDIVIDUAL.

Kaiser Affirms That He Has Always Set a High Value on Personal Relation of Every Man With His God.

Posen, Prussian Poland, Sept. 4.—A statue of Emperor Frederick was unveiled here to-day in the presence of Emperor William, Empress Victoria, the Crown Prince Frederick William, Field Marshal Count von Buelow, the Cabinet Ministers and many other notabilities.

Referring to the address of the Provincial Diet, Emperor William enjoined the Germans to lay aside their inherited tendency to engage in party strife and to work together for the good of the country. His Majesty said:

"Furthermore, my officials, as a matter of course, must carry out the policy I have recognized as the right policy in the interest of this Province, following my directions to the letter and obeying my orders without hesitation."

"The co-operation of the people and the officials, under the guidance of the Crown, will not fail to bring about, in the course of years, the prosperous development of the Province."

Referring to the Poles, his Majesty said: "I deeply regret that a section of my subjects of non-German origin appears to have difficulty in falling in with our conditions of life."

"The reason for this may probably be found in two misapprehensions: Firstly, the fear of interference with their religion is kept alive among them. Whoever asserts that difficulties are placed in the way of my subjects of the Roman faith in regard to the exercise of their religion, or that they will be forced to depart from it, is guilty of telling a downright lie."

"My whole reign my words and actions prove how highly I value religion, which I mean the personal relation of every man to his God, and such a person insults by a calumny of this nature the successor of the great King, who said: 'Every one is entitled to obtain blessedness in his own fashion.'"

"The second misapprehension consists in the fact that the fear is kept alive that their racial peculiarities and traditions are to be extirpated."

"That is not so. The Kingdom of Prussia is composed of many races who are proud of their former history and individuality. This, however, does not prevent them from being first of all good Prussians."

"It should be the same here. Traditions and recollections may live in peace, but they belong to history, not to the past."

"This day I recognize only Prussians here and I owe it to the labors of my forefathers to see that the province shall remain irreversibly bound to the Prussian monarchy, and that it shall forever be good Prussian and good German."

"I empty this goblet, filled with the juice of grapes ripening on the banks of the beautiful Rhine, to the welfare of the Province of Poland and its capital, on the Warthe."

Farmers' Day at Duquoin Carnival.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Duquoin, Ill., Sept. 4.—To-day was Farmers' Day at the Duquoin carnival, and the crowd in attendance exceeded that of last Monday, which was estimated at 25,000 persons. A parade was given in the forenoon and about 300 wagons, vehicles, farming implements and machinery, besides a large number of footmen, participated.

In the afternoon, at the city park, addresses were made by Oliver Wilson, president of the Illinois Grange; Walter R. Kinney, Superintendent of Schools of Perry County; and George W. Shute, president of the County Farmers' Social and Economic Union. A large number of the farmers and their families remained in the city for the evening and a reception was tendered them by citizens.

Confederate Veterans' Reunion.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Nevada, Mo., Sept. 4.—The Confederate veterans of Vernon County held their annual picnic at Lake Park to-day. One thousand visitors were present, besides a large number of veterans. Addresses were delivered by Mayor E. A. Wright, Captain W. R. Fetzer, Editor E. E. Bean, L. Scott, the Reverend T. M. Cobb and the Reverend A. E. Rogers.

Rains Over Texas.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Temple, Tex., Sept. 4.—Reports received here show heavy rainfall to-day over Central Texas extending far west as San Antonio. Excessive moisture, which is feared, means great deterioration in cotton crop, which now needs hot, sunny weather.

PLAYHOUSE FAVORITES.



CLARA THROPP.

Who is appearing at Havill's this week was the original Tige in "The County Fair." She was born in Washington, D. C. When only 2 years old she appeared in a comedy called "Lemons" at Ford's Theater. Since then she played a gamut of parts ranging from Milla in "Hip Van Winkle" to Nora in "A Doll's House." She is the attractive young heroine in "A Gambler's Daughter" this season.

EARN A TWO-YEAR SCHOLARSHIP BY PROFICIENCY IN STUDIES.



R. W. CROSS.

An employee of the Transit Company has taken a two years' course in mechanical and electrical engineering by working at night. For good work a Boston school has presented to him a free scholarship for another two years' course.

JOINS MANSFIELD'S COMPANY.

Miss Evelyn Emerson's Father Is the Author of "Sylvia."

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Boston, Sept. 4.—Miss Evelyn Emerson, daughter of Doctor N. G. Emerson, who wrote "Sylvia, the Story of an American Princess," which created a sensation last season, is to go on the stage, becoming a member of Richard Mansfield's company.

Texas Killed by a Train.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Waco, Tex., Sept. 4.—John J. Queen, a farmer, 45 years old, who lived five miles east of this city, was killed within a mile of his home last night by a Katy freight train. He was on horseback and the engine struck him as he rode upon the track at a crossing, killing him and his horse instantly. He leaves a widow and children.

DESIRE A REUNION OF PRESBYTERIANS.

Decatur and Lincoln Cumberland Presbyteries Adopt Strong Resolutions.

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Expert Quicker was in the city to-day and expressed himself as particularly satisfied with the oil signs so far encountered. He says the formations so far struck are similar to the formations found in the Corsicana oil field. He will not express an opinion as to what depth oil in paying quantities will be developed. It may be struck in the next twenty feet, or the drill may be sent the entire 1,000 feet without finding oil, but he thinks chances are against such a failure, and is firm in the belief that oil will be found in paying quantities.

To Investigate Child's Death.

The Coroner will hold an inquest to-day to determine the cause of the death of Edward Ehret, the 7-months-old child of Fritz Ehret, of No. 234 Marine avenue. At 11:25 o'clock Wednesday night Ehret carried his child into the South Side Dispensary and requested Doctor Abken to give it medicine. Doctor Abken informed the father that the child was dying and gave it stimulants. He was unable to state what the child was suffering from and declined to issue a death certificate when the little one died an hour later.

Struck by Terminal Engine.

John Kessler, 9 years old, of No. 2021 Eugene street was struck by a Terminal engine yesterday afternoon while playing back of Union Station and was taken to the City Hospital suffering from a lacerated foot and broken ribs. His condition is not serious.

Car Collides With Buggy.

John Koeler of No. 423 Vista avenue was thrown from a buggy and sustained a dislocated shoulder and bruises on the body yesterday in a collision with a Market street car. Philip Coker of No. 1215 Old Manchester road, who was in the buggy with Koeler, escaped injury.

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The bodies of George Ehrhardt and Charles Eaton, who were drowned together Monday afternoon, were recovered yesterday.

Ehrhardt's body was found at 4 o'clock by Charles Weiss of No. 230 De Kalb street and John Wittenfeld, who lives in a houseboat at the foot of Rutger street. The body was opposite Carroll street when found.

Four hours later Peter Pregalbin of No. 142 South Third street, while rowing in the river off Leeper street, seven blocks from where the boys were drowned, and three blocks from where Ehrhardt's body was recovered, found the body of Eaton.

Both bodies were conveyed to the morgue. The features were unrecognizable, but the clothing was easily identified. Ehrhardt's father, John Ehrhardt, of No. 236 Clark avenue, and Eaton's brother, William C. Eaton, of No. 230 Market street, claimed the bodies soon after they were received at the morgue.

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